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Grand Marais Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located on the south shore of Lake Superior, 93 miles west of Sault Ste. Marie, MI.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Acts of 14 Jun 1880, 17 May 1950.
- Deep draft harbor, however, current use is primarily recreational.
- Project depths of 18 to 20 feet.
- Approximately 3,000 feet of maintained Federal channel.
- Approximately 4,000 feet of piers, and a 5,770 feet long pile dike, currently in ruins.
- Dredged material is placed along the beach as beach nourishment.
- Vital Harbor of Refuge.
- Major stakeholders include USFWS, Michigan DNR, Village of Grand Marais, and a variety of boating interests.

Project Needs

- Requires infrequent maintenance dredging; the harbor was last dredged in 1973.
- Navigation structures are primarily maintained by Government floating plant.
- Pile dike needs to be reconstructed. The cost is estimated at \$6M-\$8M.

Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of jobs locally.
- Loss of cruise vessels, and recreational and charter fishing in the area.



Transportation Importance

- This project serves as an important Harbor of Refuge and supports charter fishing and recreational navigation interests.
- This harbor is very scenic and serves as a cruise vessel port on Lake Superior.
- The local community has established a significant infrastructure around the harbor facilities that generates income from harbor users and visitors to the area.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2008, 2009 and 2010
Grand Marais Harbor, MI - Project Needs and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

Work Package	FY08 Need	FY08 Allocation	FY09 Need	FY09 President's Budget	FY10 Need	FY10 Budget*
Project Condition Surveys			43		43	
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package						
Repairs to Pile Dike Breakwater – by Contract	6,500	935	6,500		7,145	
Shallow Draft Harbor Structure Assessment	20		20		20	
TOTALS	6,520	935	6,563	0	7,208	

*FY10 President's Budget will be available in February 2009.

Congressional Interests

- Representative Bart Stupak D-MI-1
- Senator Carl Levin D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI